

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 are pending. No amendments have been made by way of the present submission, thus, no new matter has been added.

In the outstanding Office Action the Examiner has required Applicants to elect one of the following two groups pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §121.

- I. Claims 1-19, drawn to a semiconductor device; and
- II. Claim 20, drawn to a process of making a semiconductor device.

Applicants respectfully traverse. Applicants respectfully submit that there exists no undue burden placed upon the Examiner to search and consider claims 1-20 in their entirety. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that the Examiner withdraw this restriction requirement and search claims 1-20.

However, in order to be fully responsive, Applicants hereby elect group I, directed to claims 1-19. This is an election with traverse. Moreover, even if the Examiner does not choose to search group II along with the elected group I, Applicants hereby reserve the right to request rejoinder of group II at a later date in so far as it is drawn to a process of making an allowable semiconductor device according to group I.

The Examiner has further indicated that if group I is elected, Applicants are further required to elect one of the three species named at page 3 of the outstanding restriction requirement. Applicants hereby elect the species embodied by species 1 at the top of page 3 of the outstanding restriction requirement. Thus, this species relates to a species of the claimed invention in claims 1-2 regarding a terminal for an organic material which comprises a carbon nanotube to be in contact with an organic material having a 6-membered carbon ring and a metal

in contact with a part thereof; and a thin film transistor comprising an electrode thereof the terminal in claim 1 without any specificity regarding components thereof.

It is Applicants' understanding that this election of species serves as a starting point for search and consideration only. Upon indication of allowable subject matter for the elected species, the Examiner should expand the search to include other non-elected species with the intent of finding a generic claim ultimately allowable.


Favorable action on the merits is respectfully solicited.

If the Examiner has any questions or comments, please contact Craig A. McRobbie, Registration No 42,874 at the offices of Birch, Stewart, Kolasch & Birch, LLP.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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